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SUBJECT: NEW AMMAN AIRPORT

REF: AMMAN A-51, 1430

- 1. EXIMBANK ISSUED PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT LAST OCTOBER TO FINANCE FEASIBILITY STUDY BY BECHTEL FOR CONSTRUCTION NEW AMMAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. BECHTEL NOW REPORTS GERMANS TO FINANCE THIS PART OF PROJECT WITH AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION TO BE COMPLETED BY 1975.
- 2. EXIMBANK NOW REQUESTED ISSUE PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT TO FINANCE FEASIBILITY STUDY BY BECHTEL AT COST OF DOLS 47 THOUSAND FOR ALIA AIRPORT FACILITIES. CLEAR INTENTION BY BECHTEL, HOWEVER, IS TO HAVE INDICATION EXIMBANK WILLINGNESS TO FINANCE FOLLOW ON PROJECT INVOLVING APPROXIMATELY DOLS 10-15 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MILLION IN AIRPORT FACILITIES TO INCLUDE ALIA OFFICES,

HANGARS, OVERHAUL SHOPS, ETC.

- 3. EMBASSY'S PREVIOUS REPORTS THIS SUBJECT CITED LOW DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY AIRPORT PROJJECT AND SUCCESS OF JORDANIANS IN ARRANGING PRELIMINARY FINANCING TO DATE FROM GERMANS.
- 4. APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S CURRENT APPRAISAL STATUS THIS PROJECT INCLUDING WHETHER CLEAR INTENTION OF GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN/ALIA TO EMBARK ON THIS LARGE PROJECT, WHETHER FINANCING ALREADY OBTAINED OR PLANNED BY JORDANIANS FOR AIRPORT AND ALIA AIRPORT FACILITIES, AND POSSIBLE ROLE FOR EXIMBANK FINANCING AS INCENTIVE TO PROCUREMENT IN U.S. RUSH

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